

WILLIAM RAINEY HARPER COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT #512
COUNTIES OF COOK, KANE, LAKE, AND McHENRY, STATE OF ILLINOIS

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Wednesday, August 9, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

The Committee of the Whole meeting of the Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 512 was called to order by Chair Bill Kelley on Wednesday, August 9, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. in of the Wojcik Conference Center, 1200 W. Algonquin Road, Palatine, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

Present: Members Greg Dowell, Diane Hill, Herb Johnson (arrived 5:27 p.m.), Bill Kelley, Walt Mundt, Nancy Robb, Pat Stack, and Student Member Kei Smith

Absent: none

Also present:

Mike Barzacchini, Director of Marketing Services; Dr. Yolonda Barnes, Dean of Business and Social Science; Michael Bates, Associate Provost, Curriculum and Instruction; Susanne Brock, Senior Director Innovation and Development; Laura Brown, Chief Advancement Officer; Tony Butler, Director of Risk Management; Orlando Cabrera, Tech Support Specialist; Meg Coney, Administrative Coordinator; Dr. Maria Coons, Vice President and Board Liaison; Dr. Kathy Coy, Director, Institutional Research; Megan Dallianis, Interim Associate Provost-Student Success; Amanda Duval, Chief Human Resources Officer; Rob Galick, EVP Finance and Administrative Services; Bob Grapenthien, Controller; Erika Hartman, Administrative Coordinator; Mary Kay Harton, Dean of Students; Dr. Joanne Ivory, Dean, Career and Technical Programs; Jeff Julian, Chief of Staff; Rick Kellerman, Specialist Network; Christopher Maxwell, Associate Dean of Students; Nancy Medina, Executive Director Facilities Management; Bob Parzy, Associate Provost Enrollment Services; Kim Pohl, Director of Communications; Kimberley Polly, Dean of Math and Science; Dr. Avis Proctor, President; Jaime Riewerts, Dean, Liberal Arts; Darlene Schlenbecker, Vice President of Planning, Research and Institutional Effectiveness; Michele Smith, Vice President Workforce Solutions; Sean Warren-Crouch, Manager Promise Scholarship Program; Dr. Ruth Williams, Provost; Riaz Yusuff, Chief Information Officer; Heather Zoldak, Associate Executive Director-Foundation and Major Gifts. Ermin Arslanan, TEI (note: handwriting on sign-in sheet was difficult to read).

Guests: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

DISCUSSION OF
FOLLOW UP ITEMS

Rob Galick presented an overview of the FY2024 budget that will be presented to the Board for approval at next week's meeting. He summarized the tax capped funds, all funds, and capital funds and explained revenue and expenditures, and the FY2024 capital projects assumptions.

Dr. Sean Warren-Crouch presented the annual update of the Promise Scholarship Program. He presented college success rate comparisons on average semester GPA, course success, and average credit hours earned. Promise students performed at a higher level than the comparison group and former Promise students. He stated the Promise funding projections (based on assumptions from previous cohorts) should fund a total of 19 classes or through the Class of 2037. Trustee Robb stated this is a fantastic program for students and families.

Darlene Schlenbecker presented the FY2023 Accountability Report, which provides fiscal year outcomes on the College Plan activities.

Status on FY2026 Targets: Data is not yet available from IDES for several measures, 11 of 14 are on target; 3 of 14 need attention. Equity gaps identified under eight measures (28 gaps): 16 of 28 on target, and 12 of 28 need attention.

Strategic Plan status: 27 targets completed (29.6%) and 75 measures completed (61.3%).

Six Operational Plan goals aligned with the six Strategic Plan goals: There are 58 tasks under the 6 goals: 50 of 58 (86%) completed-target met; 2 of 58 (3%) completed-target not met; and 6 of 58 (10%) are in progress.

She also shared the SOAR and Strategic Plan dashboards. The trustees expressed thanks and recognition to all Harper employees for the accomplishments.

Christopher Maxwell, Jeff Julian, and Dr. Maria Coons provided an update on the transportation solutions that can assist students to be successful at Harper. These solutions include a PACE partnership, Lyft ride share, and Koloni Bike Share program; in addition to creating a Transportation Infrastructure Task Force. PACE has made route 697 permanent with direct service from the Schaumburg Transportation Center to Harper. Since August 2022 there have been more than 6,000 rides. For the Lyft program students receive \$10 off per ride for up to 8 rides per month. From September 2022 - May 2023, there have been 9,772 rides provided. Student feedback reflected a desire to increase the number of rides per month.

- 96% of students surveyed said they “felt that using the Lyft program contributed to (their) success as a student at Harper College.”
- 86% persistence rate from fall-to-spring for Lyft riders vs. overall fall-to-spring persistence of 76%

Continued funding will be evaluated.

The Koloni Bike Share Program has had a total of 112 rides over the period of June 25 - July 31, in both 2022 and 2023. The majority of rides are by employees riding around campus for exercise or into Palatine. Continued use of the bike share will be evaluated.

The Task Force met with several townships to discuss transportation funding opportunities. The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) is sponsoring a study to explore opportunities to better link these transportation systems. The study will include the Villages of Schaumburg and Hoffman Estates, Schaumburg Township, Hanover Township, Palatine Township and PACE.

The next steps for all programs include evaluation, student success impact and long-term funding strategies. The Board was enthusiastic about these programs and asked for more awareness programs for those students who have the highest need.

Dr. Avis Proctor reviewed the next steps from the July Board Workshop including the Technology Strategic Plan, Budget Surplus allocations, Facilities Use and Capital Projects, and Scaling and Sustaining Promising Student Success Practices. The January 2024 Financial Workshop will highlight funding estimates for the Facilities Use and Capital Projects, and specific recommendations and needed funding for academic and non-academic needs. Trustee Nancy Robb requested utilization numbers of who and how many use the athletic fields prior to any discussion of improvements.

Dr. Maria Coons reviewed the August Board Packet.

Larua Brown informed the Board that while the Inspire Campaign ends in June 2024, as of today the campaign target has been surpassed to \$30,800,000 with 56 new endowed scholarships established.

FORMAL ACTIONS

Member Dowell motioned, Member Hill seconded to enter closed session pursuant OMA 2 (c) (1) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee of the public body and 2(c) (2) collective bargaining matters at 6:29 p.m. In a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Member Dowel motioned, Member Stack seconded to adjourn the closed session and re-enter the regular meeting at 7:07 p.m. In a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Member Dowell moved, Member Hill seconded, adjournment at 7:08 p.m.

In a voice vote, motion carried.

Chair

Secretary